

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 4

Introduced by: Senators Brown (Arnold), Albers, Apa, Bogue, Brosz, Cradduck, Daugaard, de Hueck, Dennert, Diedrich (Larry), Diedtrich (Elmer), Drake, Duxbury, Everist, Greenfield, Hagen, Ham, Hutmacher, Kleven, Koetzle, Koskan, Madden, McCracken, McIntyre, Moore, Munson, Olson (Ed), Putnam, Reedy, Staggers, Sutton (Dan), Symens, Vitter, Volesky, and Whiting and Representatives Pitts, Abdallah, Adelstein, Bartling, Begalka, Bradford, Broderick, Brown (Jarvis), Brown (Richard), Burg, Clark, Davis, Derby, Duenwald, Duniphan, Eccarius, Elliott, Flowers, Frost, Fryslie, Garnos, Gillespie, Glenski, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Hargens, Heineman, Hennies (Don), Hennies (Thomas), Holbeck, Hundstad, Hunhoff, Jaspers, Jensen, Juhnke, Klaudt, Kloucek, Koistinen, Konold, Kooistra, Lange, Lintz, Madsen, McCaulley, McCoy, Michels, Monroe, Murschel, Nachtigal, Napoli, Nesselhuf, Olson (Mel), Pederson (Gordon), Peterson (Bill), Peterson (Jim), Pummel, Rhoden, Richter, Sebert, Sigdestad, Slaughter, Smidt, Solum, Sutton (Duane), Teupel, Valandra, Van Etten, Van Gerpen, Van Norman, and Wick

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring 4-H clubs and 4-H members on the centennial celebration of the founding of 4-H.

WHEREAS, the 4-H Centennial is an opportunity to celebrate one hundred years of existence as an educational program for youth ages five to eighteen. The 4-H program is funded with monies by federal, state, and local governments. The 4-H program is conducted through the educational efforts of South Dakota State University and the South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, 60,388 youths in South Dakota were reached with various youth development/4-H programming efforts, including 9,072 youth who were reached by traditional 4-H clubs, 43,889 youth who were reached by 4-H school enrichment programs, and 7,427 youth who were reached through 4-H special interest programs. In addition, 5,551 adult volunteers were involved with 4-H programming, and 1,963 youth and adult volunteers were trained in specialized 4-H programs; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota 4-H teaches youth life skills, decision-making, communication, responsibility, a sense of community, volunteerism, leadership development, self-confidence, self-assurance, and self-awareness:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Seventy-seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the South Dakota Legislature congratulates South Dakota 4-H clubs and their members for their efforts and achievements on behalf of South Dakota's youth on the one hundredth anniversary of the existence of the 4-H program.